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23. [REDACTED] LIAISON Called Frank Slatinshek, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, on the Director's invitation to brief the House Armed Services Committee delegation prior to their trip to the People's Republic of China and suggested 16 March at 5:00 p.m. as a good time and date either at Mr. Bush's residence or at Agency Headquarters. Slatinshek will take it up with Chairman Melvin Price (D., Ill.).

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24. [REDACTED] BRIEFING Together with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] briefed Senator Dick Clark (D., Iowa) on a wide range of subjects involving Southern Africa. (See Memorandum for the Record.)

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25. [REDACTED] LIAISON I called Vern Loen, White House staff, and alerted him that Representative John Burton (D., Calif.) is planning to offer an amendment to the Foreign Assistance Act which would prohibit assassinations and covert actions related to the political or electoral processes. I told him that we were drawing up a fact sheet opposing the enactment of this legislation and providing it to Representative William Broomfield (R., Mich.). We are also getting in touch with some of the people on the House International Relations Committee and the House Armed Services Committee.

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26. [REDACTED] ADMINISTRATIVE I called Mike Duval, White House staff, and told him that we have gotten a copy of the latest draft of the Senate Government Operations bill and would send him a copy. We then discussed the bill itself. I told him that we were preparing comments on the bill for OMB and would send him a copy.

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27. [REDACTED] LIAISON Charles Sorrel, Congressional Budget Office, called and requested an additional five copies of the publication entitled, "A Dollar Comparison of Soviet and U.S. Defense Activities, 1965-75." The copies have been sent to Mr. Sorrel.

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23. [REDACTED] LEGISLATION Called George

Gilbert, OMB, in response to his earlier conversation with [REDACTED] 25X1
Gilbert reported that Jack Marsh's office in the White House had requested
OMB to poll all agencies on S. Res. 400, the Senate oversight bill, and
that OMB needed our comments by COB tomorrow.

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24. [REDACTED] LIAISON Molly, in the office of

Representative Mike McCormack (D., Wash.), called and said that
the Congressman would not be able to speak to the DDS&T Career
Management Group but recommended that in his place we may wish
to invite Thomas Ratchford, Science Consultant, House Committee on
Science and Technology.

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25. [REDACTED] LIAISON Leslie Yates, Subcommittee

on International Resources, Food & Energy, House International Relations
Committee staff, called referring to testimony before the Subcommittee
on 25 February 1976 and said that Assistant Secretary William Schaufele
deferred to CIA and "stonewalled" Chairman Charles Diggs' (D., Mich.)
questions relating to [REDACTED] 25X1 Yates said as soon as she
gets the transcript back from the reporters, Mr. Diggs will send us the
pertinent portion and ask if we will respond. If we do not respond but
defer to the Subcommittee on Oversight, House International Relations
Committee, which receives the Director's covert action briefings, then
Mr. Diggs intends to fight it out within the Committee. What bothers
Mr. Diggs is that as Chairman of this Subcommittee he apparently
does not have access to information on covert action programs provided
to the Subcommittee on Oversight while all members of the Senate
Foreign Relations Committee have access to such information.

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26. [REDACTED] BRIEFING Ed Schallert, in the

office of Representative Les Aspin (D., Wis.), called and requested a
briefing for the Congressman on the dollar comparison of Soviet defense
activities as soon as it could be arranged.

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